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OPENING OF LIBEL SUIT SENSATIONAL

Mr. Heller Takes Stand on Opening Day in Case Against Hamilton Life.

FRY COUNSEL FOR DEFENSE

Court proceedings were begun yesterday before Justice Ferry in the $1,000,000 libel suit brought by Mr. Worace Heller against **Hamilton Life.** The charges filed by Mr. Heller's attorney allege that on March 9, 1920, a "supposedly humorous column of **Hamilton Life** known as 'Carpe Diem' called Mr. Heller a 'superman'."

Mr. Heller, formerly an exceedingly modest, retiring individual whose voice was not to be heard above a whisper even in Rocks' class, immediately leaped into the limelight with the filing of the charges against **Life.**

Discussion on Terms

The testimony yesterday tended to show that the strict interpretation of the term "super-man" was somewhat generally confused. It was admitted by Mr. Heller that the word as used might possibly have a double meaning and possess some connotation as a pun.

When called to the stand, Mr. Heller asked to be excused from examination because he had left his glasses at home. Justice Ferry replied that the penalty for such an oversight was to go through the examination dry. Mr. Heller reluctantly took the stand, and Mr. Fry, **Life's** attorney, questioned him.

Mr. Fry: "Just what do you think this word 'super-man' means?"

Mr. Heller: "Why, it's a vile epithet! It's—why, it's monstrous!"

Mr. Fry: "Yeah, I know it is, but what do you think it means?"

Mr. Heller: "Why, I don't think what it means. I know. I never think things. I just know them. I'm an authority on road building, too.

Mr. Heller Willing Talker

Mr. Fry: "Would you just as soon tell us?"

Mr. Heller: "Tell you? Sure, I'll tell you anything. That's one thing about me—I'm always willing to tell anybody anything. What do you want to know?"

Mr. Fry: "Say, listen. You can't get me tangled up. Ask Bill Squires or Cal. Now, tell the court what you know about a 'super-man'."

Mr. Heller: "Well, a 'super-man' seems to me to be—well sort of—oh, you know what I mean. You know, I don't have to know these things. I've got a good drag with the faculty. Besides, I've got a lot of books. Anything I want to know, I just send a Freshman to look it up. Why, I've got the whole Library. I can know anything I want to, but I don't have to have it in my mind."

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FAMOUS AUTHOR DISAPPOINTED IN FACULTY EDITION OF LIT.

Praises Work of Mr. Waldy Bood in His Sensational Cartoons but Frankly States in Emphatic Phrases That Mr. Foote's Jokes Are Rotten.

(By "Ethereal Ions.")

The Faculty Number of the Hamilton Literary Magazine, although far superior to the January and February issues, still affords great room for improvements. This latest issue is characterized by two innovations—the humor column by Phlatt Foote and the cartoons by Waldy Bood.

Professor Foote's jokes are disintegrated—or, to use a less sapient term—rotten. Every mathematician in college has heard them. If he is a ophomore, he has heard them once—if a Junior, twice—if a Senior, three times. Still, it is a good idea to publish them as an object lesson for the rest of the college.

Cartoons Astounding

Mr. Bood's cartoons are a revelation. They portray a familiarity with barroom scenes of the ante-anti-booze days that no man in college has ever suspected.. We are led to believe that we have been misjudging Waldy all this time.

In his short ode "To Flossie," Little Eddie reaches the zenith of his success as a love artist. The poem is fairly reeking with passion. It would appear, however, that the lines are a trifle risque for so dignified a publication as Lit.

A criticism of Stevenson's "Inland Joruney and Travels With a Mule" by The Dept. lends a classic touch to the issue. There are thoughts embodied in this essay which no one ever thought before—thoughts that only a mind as deep as The Dept.'s could ever think. On one point, however, we beg to correct the writer. Shakespeare was the author of neither the book nor the lyrics of "Oh Boy."

Discover Rank Plagiarism

In "Socrates, the Grecian Grafter," Bils Quyres launches a justly indignant attack against that notorious swindler, Socrates. The sentiments that Bils expresses are good; his logic is good; his English is horrible. The whole student body should rise up and denounce that malicious Greek devil who robbed our college of so much fame by preaching Bils' ideas abroad as his own.

The somewhat hasty and over-impetuous open letter that Schlitz writes was provoked by Professor Fanchaw. Fanchaw, it seems, was once seen to raise his eyebrows and sneer in the presence of Grimm's Law. For this act of folly, Schlitz gives him a proper drubbing. He wanders rather aimlessly at first but ends with a triumphant climax:

"The workings of the Law are inevitable, infallible, and without exception. All the exceptions are only apparent ones." This letter is appropriate and timely and we hope that in the future it will have a tendency to aid Professor Fanchaw in his struggle with the New York dialect.

Editorials Show Finesse

The editorial is good. Flex Perry's statistics are always good. They are always interesting and in this case prove rather startling. Who would have suspected that 87 per cent. of the 280,106 Phi Beta Kappa men in the United States could get drunk on one-half of one per cent?

Further down the list, Dr. Perry proves thaht Hamilton is more cultured than Colgate because statistics compiled by Colgate authorities show that 27 per cent. of the whole university, both students and faculty, wear suspenders. Upon conducting an investigation at Hamilton, Dr. Perry finds that P. Foote and G. Schwarz are the only offenders. Such statistics are always welcome. They lend a certain feeling of pride to members of Hamilton College and of Phi Beta Kappa.

An Expose

[NOTE: Our readers will be interested to read the following interesting dialogue, heard by a **Life** reporter at a meeting of our Senior English Seminar in Writing English. The philosophy expressed is tremendous, the import of the conversation appalling.]

Prof. Fancher: "I have a few things here that I shall read. I'll try this first. (Reads correctly, fluently, and entertainingly—for a professor.) How d'ye like it?"

The class answers by a typical anti-creational void of infinite silence, followed in short order by a typically post-creational and volcanic outburst of bedlamic Babel.

Jack Van Norden: "Oh, good. Good, profesor. (Turns to Fuller) Good, huh?"

Fuller Rejoices

Fuller (enthusiastically): Huh! Huh! (Second Huh accompanied by Fuller's most pleasing smile, something like that of a saber-toothed tiger gloating over an anthropoid door-mouse.)

Prof: "Now, Jack, (then more sternly), er, I mean Mr. Van Norden, why, why, I ask, is it good?"

Van: "Because, because—why, Professor, it's good because it—well, it gives a good picture, a picture of—

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POLICE PULL RAID ON RATHSKELLAR

Prominent Men Arrested by Local Authorities in Act of Manufacturing Liquor.

IN INTOXOCATED CONDITION

Fred C. Prexy, Eliphaz Boot, and Arthur P. Stenke were arrested, and two stills and a half pint of liquor were seized in a well-conducted raid on Boot's Rathskellar last night. All three were in an advanced state of intoxication, and it was learned that they had consumed large quantities of home brew, of which the proportion of alcohol was estimated as high as four per cent.

Place Under Suspicion

Sheriff Tomper had heard from various sources that moonshiners were at work in this vicinity, and he had long suspected the Rathskellar as the scene of operations. The place has been under the close observation of two plain clothes men for the past three months. Early last evening it was reported that certain mysterious characters had entered Boot's back door, and Sheriff Tomper immediately decided upon a raid.

With the able assistance of Detectives Cairns, Moffat, Rosenthal, and Holler, he surrounded the building and pronounced all persons on or about the premises under arrest. Revolver in hand, he commenced a thorough search of the house, and in the cellar, behind locked doors and closed shutters he discovered the gang at work.

Prexy and Stenke were operating two stills, while Boot was sampling the concoction. A row of bottles revealed the preparations of a gigantic bootlegging proposition, but it is thought that as yet no home brew has been disposed of. Sheriff Tomper promptly placed the men under arrest and they are now confined ini the police station for want of bail.

W. C. T. U. Surprised

It was with great astonishment that the officials of the W. C. T. U. learned of the drunkenness and arrest of Prexy, who has compiled a long list of statistics showing that alcohol is detrimental to high scholarship. He has greatly advanced the cause of the W. C. T. U. by his series of lectures on "The College Man and the Cabaret," in which he not only proved to the satisfaction of everybody that intoxicants were harmful but also that they were not wanted and would not be tolerated by the college man.

"Moonshining must and shall be stamped out," said Sheriff Tomper in a statement made last night after the raid. "I shall use all my power to see that the dry law is strictly enforced. I have been greatly aided in this work by Detectives 'Cart' Schwartz and 'Em' Holler, whose as-

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Letters to Great Men

By Skenandoa, Jr.

TO "THE OLD STAND-BYS"
The Dear Girls

Dear GIRLS:
I HAVE known
YOU ALL for so long
THAT I know
YOU WON'T be mad
WHEN YOU read this.
MANY PROMS have
SEEN YOUR fair forms;
AND YOU know
THE SONGS
BETTER than I,
AND YOUR way around
THE CEMETERY in the dark
PROVES THAT YOU have
BEEN TO many June Balls.
HAMILTONIANS have spent
THOUSANDS of dollars
FOR your pleasure,
AND MANY Saturday nights
HAVE we spent
IN YOUR perfume reeking
PASH parlors.
I HOPE you keep well
SO YOU can come to
MY SON'S first Prom.
WILL SEE you Saturday.
I THANK YOU.

GHOST TALKS ON COMPULSORY GYM

Spirit of Founder of College Appears and Talks Freely in Interview With Life Reporter.

TOMPER AS HIDEOUS RESULT

The Anti-cigarette League and the Compulsory Gymnasium movement for full grown men belong to the same category of physical and mental control. Only, the former is still visionary, while the latter is an actuality which exists as an institution in Hamilton College. It must be noted that neither of these welfare theories is objectionable to the minority.

Reasons for Unwholesome Burden

How was involuntary Gym for Upperclassmen established as a factor in our undergraduate enjoyment? That's a hard question to answer. Some say that Coach proposed Compulsory Athletics as a temporary memorial to the hardships of the S. A. T. C. As such, and none other, the undergraduates voted in favor of involuntary exercise with their accustomed enthusiastic unanimity. By way of explanation, it may be said that any bill introduced by the Undergraduate Activity Committee into the House of Commons is passed as a foregone conclusion. Our college meetings are characterized by absolute acquiescence in all local matters presented for approbation.

Another statement as to the why and wherefore of the existence of forcible sports at Hamilton came to a man the other day as he was strolling about the Campus at midnight in search of robins and other signs of Spring. Samuel Kirkland's spirit appeared and had a gift of speech similar to that of Hamlet's ghost. According to Sam Kirkland, compulsory Gym was the fever of a militarized brain intensified by the modern tendency to trample on traditions. "The S. A. T. C.," said Father Kirkland, "instilled an immature love of army restraint into certain of the guiding minds, otherwise known as the college rudders; these, in a spirit of pure altruism wished the returning 'ex-service' men to taste the fascination of discipline. Nay, their vision was even broader; they were of the firm opinion that a Hamilton diploma, heretofore presented as a certificate for mere education, should also stand for the completion of specified and supervised training in Prussian regularity."

Spirit Picks on Tomper

At the conclusion of these supernatural words, the robin-hunter shook with fear. But the Reverend Kirkland hadn't quite completed his message. With an abysmal stare he drew closer to the young man and raising the pitch of his hollow voice to a confidential treble he continued: "Tomper Thompson may be the most loyal and sincere son of Hamilton; he surely has shown as much persistence as Compulsory Sunday Chapel in continuing in college. But in spite of his two years of army service, his hardships at the front, his creditable stand in studies this year and his dignified age, Tomper won't get his diploma in June. Why? Because he refuses to humble himself in childlike manner to the requirements of the stringent cut-system which Compulsory Gymnasium for Upperclassmen establishes."

At the conclusion of these ominous words the spectre contorted its features into a final grimace of mockery at our war-born institution, and swiftly faded into the unseen.

Moral: For what avails it a young man if he have activities, education, honor, and loyalty, if he hath not been trained by Compusory Gym.

(Apologies to Shakespeare and the Bible.)

Benignly gazing o'er the room,
About the League of Nations gassing,
Letting sleeping Seniors lie a
Dormant mass—but always passing,
You and I.

Roaring of the ancient glaciers,
Oorthoceras, trilobites, and placers,
Calling all the lazy minds to order,
Katching men from sleep's gneiss border,
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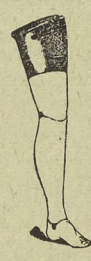
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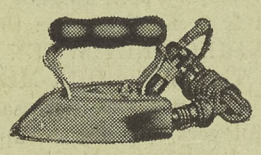

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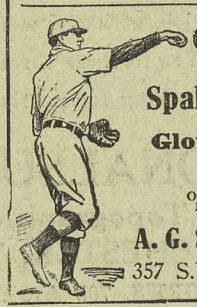

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The Yellow Life

Unless you happen to be color blind, you can see that this is a yellow sheet. **Life** has been accused of inaccuracy, sensationalism, untruths, and scurrilous scurfings for the past six months. Now you see the climax of yellow journalism. Hardly anything printed in this edition is true, except the feature story about Cal dismissing chapel in an uncriticized state.

To the worthy Juniors who have passed an hour of discussion haranguing **Life** we extend our thanks. We would like to run a cut of Horace Weller in the Carpe Diem column, but it would be too irreverent—to both.

We who nestled up here on this Hill do not get many journalistic thrills. Rarely does the New York Journal stalk among us, even the Utica Saturday Globe seldom gets on our library shelves, and the Police Gazette is "conspicuous by its absence," to quote the immortal Stryker.

Who can mentally inhale the endless gusts of love which Bob Chambers spues forth in the Cosmop without going straightway over to embrace his room-mate with wild falsetto shrieks a la Ted Paton and Zip Griffith? No one can resist the fascination of these classics. They have an inspiration for us. We are taken from the dull monotony of stupid classes and carried away in our imagination to the realms of perfumed passion, to the land of bewitching scandal, gossip, and slander. What a lovely sensation.

Yet Prof. Ibbotson refuses to satisfy this long-felt want of Hamilton College. He has steadfastly turned down subscriptions to Hearts's Parisienne, and Breezy Stories. We, the editors of this yellow sheet, protest against this outrage. We beseech our sagacious alumni to use all their efforts to oust this man who is so far out of touch with the student's mind that he will not give them the kind of reading they both need and desire. We respectfully and hopefully request that the New York Journal replace the timid Post on our library tables. We admit that our distance from the metropolis makes it difficult for us to get the tri-daily contradictions, but think of the suspense we could get while piecing together the scattered bits of information about Mrs. Van Rensellaer Bauer's divorce suit on the very substantial grounds that her husband pulled four hairs from the hide of her pet Pekinese.

Truly the students of Hamilton are to be pitied. **Life** realizes the situation, and hence this edition. The yellow sheet is our finale. The old order is soon to change. Get your hammers ready for the new board, so the smiting may be long and hard in the college which the good trustees give us.

POLICE PULL RAID ON RATHSKELLAR

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AN EXPOSE

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of life.'' (A smug, self-satisfied smile gleams mellifluously over Jack's blond physiognomy. He resumes his customary attitude of static energy, breathing hard.)

Prof: ''Exactly. But how does the writer get the picture, the effect?''

Van: ''By—by—''

Kaiser: ''Words.'' (With a knowing smile.)

Prof: ''That means nothing. Positively nothing.''

Van (exultantly): ''By the use of Words.''

Prof: ''There. There. Now we have it. By the use of words. Do you all agree?''

Riley: ''Overdone.''

Riley Surprises Class

Prof: ''What?'' (He is surprised at Riley's erudite criticism.) What do you mean? You can't say a paper is overdone without showing where it's overdone. (Firm in his belief that he has spiked Riley's gun, the professor glares defiance. But Keane, spurred on by the consciousness that next year's convention is to be held in Cuba, accepts the optically proffered gage.)

Keane: ''Now in that place—I forget just where it was—(glancing at his notes of criticism) but that place about the engineer. I—I don't think an engineer on the O. & W. would threaten to slap a person on the jaw.''

The professor is puzzled.

Prof: ''I confess I don't know. What does the class think?''

The mooted point is evidently too obvious for the class' serious consideration.

Turner (still mindful of his success as the exponent of ex): ''And that point about Homeric grouping is vague. It's—it's—I don't know how to express it quite—but it's, well, vague, you know.''

Discuss Classics

Prof: ''Ha, Turner, I'm glad you mentioned that point. How many here know what was meant by the classical allusion?'' (There is a sneer at Hamilton College education in his voice, manner and bearing.)

Kaiser, Ritterbush, and Salbitano splutter affirmatively, so the Prof. calls on Martin.

Martin: ''It concerns the wanderings of Ulysses.''

Ritt and Kaiser nod in confirmation.

Salbitano: ''I disagree. I think it's from Dante's Inferno where Homer, Aristotle, and Saleratus are talking to Cerberus.''

Prof: ''It doesn't say so here.'' (Looking at paper expecting, it seems, a marginal reference.)

Van: ''It's all wrong, anyway.''

Prof: ''I can't recollect. It was at Am— I mean the years have been many since I read Dante. We'll consult Mr. Russo.''

Van Norden acquiesces while Salbi mutters socialistically.

Prof: ''But you men should read more of the classics. Imagine some of you receiving an A. B. Why, your ignorance of the classics it appalling. At Am— Well, if you'd read more of the classics, you'd know what Salbi meant.'' (Picks up another paper and reads as per above.) ''How d'ye like it?''

Shouts of ''Good. Good.''

Prof: ''Now exactly, what is it, a play, a drama, or a farce?''

Thomp: ''I meant it for a —''

Schwartz: ''It's a farce.''

Prof: ''I think you're right. But it could also be a play, or a drama. Or couldn't it?''

Drama on the Boards

Kaiser: ''If the lights were dimmed—''

Rice: ''She should have brazenly turned out the light and kissed him. Then it would be a play.''

Ives: ''I think—''

The bell rings. Thompson picks up the intelligent Waldo and his overcoat while the class files dolorously out, wondering whether the Sabbath, innate affection, or some other supernatural motive was the cause for Schwarz's continued existence. Ted Peyton et al. can be heard singing faintly in the distance.

OPENING OF LIBEL SUIT SENSATIONAL

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Mr. Fry: ''To you, a 'super-man' is a kind of all-around man, isn't he—a man who does everything well—goes out for things and all that?''

Mr. Heller: ''Why yes. And yet, no.''

Mr. Fry: ''I see. But why don't you think you are a 'super-man'?''

Mr. Heller: ''How dare you call me such a name? That's almost as sacrilegious as telling a joke on a professor.''

Member of Prominent Family

Mr. Fry: ''Yeah, but look here. No kidding, Worace, you're pretty much of a regular fellah. Why, your very name shows that. Aren't you one of the Hamilton College Hellers?''

Mr. Heller: ''Oh, I admit that. You don't have to prove it to me.''

Mr. Fry: ''It seems to me that 'super-man' is just the name for you. You can talk—why, you can talk about pretty nearly anything, no matter whether you know anything about it or not. And you know all the professors' little likes and dislikes, and all their families by their first names. You're out for baseball, too, aren't you?''

Mr. Heller: ''Oh, yes, just for the exercise. I told the Coach that.''

Mr. Fry: ''Pardon me. I thought everyone went out to make the team.''

Mr. Heller: ''Well, of course, that's incidental. But I know I'm being discriminated against in practice.''

Mr. Fry: ''Oh, Worace, impossible. No one could discriminate against you.''

Mr. Heller: ''Don't be too sure about that. It has been done (at this point Mr. Heller glared at the members of the **Life** board, who were occupying the front row in the court), but it has never been gotten away with.''

Mr. Fry: ''But don't you think that possibly this 'super-man' might have something to do with soup—something relating to noise?''

Mr. Heller: ''I hadn't thought of that. What do you think?''

Mr. Fry: ''I admit I don't know.''

Mr. Heller (aghast): ''You don't know!''

Mr. Fry: ''No—I mean, of course, yes.''

Mr. Heller: ''Perhaps you're right. But—''

At this juncture Justice Ferry developed a violent headache, and a recess was taken until this afternoon.

UNDERCLASSMEN SURPRISED

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with the following words: ''Gentlemen, I know that nothing that I could say would add to what you have already heard. This has indeed been a marvelous Chapel. Excused.''

Pop Martin and others were caught with their goulashes off. The audience finally became conscious that they were not to hear the Department's antidotes, and they filed out, wondering whether Cal's association with Ives had at last made our dear professor a disciple of reform.

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Society Notes

The Hamilton Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Friday afternoon in Silliman Hall. Delegates to the National Convention at Montreal, Canada, will be selected. Mr. William Griffith, head of the Community House in the neighboring town of Utica, will address the chapter at the social meeting which will follow the business meeting. Included in his address will be several first-hand hints on the objections to the modern dance.

Among those favored by different factions for the election as delegate is Carrie Houpe, a well-known local society bud.

College President Honors Guest

The recent visit of Professor Lomax to the Hill was signalized by a Tea given at the home of Doctor Ferry. Games were played and Cowboy Ballads were sung by all, much to the amusement of little Chamberlain Ferry.

Carleton D. Schwartz of Clinton has returned to college after a severe attack of Orationitis. He is at home to all his many friends at 3 South.

It is rumored with distinct emphasis on the validity of the source of the rumor, that the youthful college romances of Richard Wagner Kaiser and Edgar Williams Couper will culminate in charming marriages this coming commencement season.

His Lordship, Gordon Barnett, first Earl of Millbrook and Ossining, has been away for a few days' shooting trip near Henry Street in Utica.

The mercenaries of Mr. Coughlin held a charming celebration of St. Patrick's Day in their apartments in the basement of Knox Hall. Pritchett's Jazz Orchestra furnished the music for the exorbitant price of fifteen dollars. Due to the recent drought, only light wines were served. Schwartz is again a member of these harmony mixers.

The Kirkland Symphony Orchestra under the lead of H. C. S. Brown will appear as a part of a Y. M. C. A. Show for the benefit of Paul Hamlin. For this one performance, the management has been able to secure the famous Monsieur B. D. Meritt to give a flute solo. This concert will be under the direction of the famous Cuisinier, Count Nickles Ballot.

A variety shower was given last Wednesday night for Mr. John Van Kennan. The gifts were very numerous and very varied. Most of them, however, were tin, due to his latest appellation, "The Tin God." Mr. Van Kennan thanked those present for their kind gifts and invited the entire college to spend the coming summer recess on his plantation on the St. Lawrence River.

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A little, informal gathering convened last Saturday evening, ostensibly to listen to a few musical efforts of the Hamilton College Simp-Phoney Orchestra. This name was not given to the organization because of any shortcomings on the part of the personnel, either individually or in toto, but there are many obscure whisperings that the connotations of the two cryptic syllables of which the word Simp-phoney is composed are not so hopelessly inappropriate as they might at first appear. In fact it has been hinted rather broadly that Simp refers to Lanrowitz, our pet aesthete and that phoney applies to the technique of R. W. Kaiser. However, we have digressed. Let us return.

Program Executed Well

The program went off very well. The first number executed was the ''Tanhouse Overture.'' To say that the rending of this classic blues was remarkable falls short. It was nothing less than exotic. Leland Rice began the number by titillating softly about on the bass, making sounds reminiscent of distant bowling alleys. At this juncture, the Sigs stopped whispering, and Mr. Rudolph Budd nipped a loud guffaw not quite in the bud. And then Filbert Lanrowitz, the latter-day Petronius of North College, came to life with a crash. By the time he and Rice were functioning properly, and Dick Kaiser had substituted the proper score for the saxophone part to ''You made me want to do it'' which he had been playing for seventeen bars, the whole audience had ceased firing. That is, nearly the whole audience, for during a passionate clarionet solo, Mr. Really Black was heard to remark dispassionately, ''I never could see why they call a cruller a fried cake, when it really is a doughnut.'' And then he gave one of those roguish, super-spectacle peeps of his at his earnestly-sawing spouse.

''Mirable Dictu''

At the end of the first theme, there was a pause, during which some mid-Western guest, flattering himself that the selection was over began to clap, and was squelched by a Sig. It was later discovered that the offender was a Sig, too. ''Mirabile dictu.''

All this time, the younger scion of the house of Really Black had been arguing heatedly with the telephone, in his well-known, high-pitched, girlish treble. Just at the beginning of the second theme, he emerged triumphant and sneaked into the music-room via the portal of the cuisine, and yelled, voicelessly, ''Mama, Central says her trunks are full.'' No one laughed at this equivocal statement, but a suspicious moisture dampened many eyes, and the clarionet squeaked from a too sudden influx of air. The hostess made a cabalistic sign at the whisperer, and the youth evanesced creakingly up the front stairs, and, lurching into a ''goulash,'' upset an umbrella rack, and a member of the faculty who was squatting on the floor nearby.

At last the number was over. A couple of Dogshack dances were demobilized, and then the food was announced. At this, the guests became genuinely interested, and within three minutes, it was impossible to find a single remnant of food, save a single cup of cocoa, which Professor Fancher held in such a way as to seem to say, ''Now, don't you wish you had saved yours?''

After the featherweight, that is, the light, lunch was annihilated, a cane and overshoe rush completed the performance. A good time was had by all except the youth, aforementioned, whose delicate parts were later brought into unwilling, but close proximity to a hair brush.

UNDERCLASSMEN WITNESS UNPRECEDENTED EVENT

On Occasion of Revival of ''Casey at the Bat'' Unheard of Thing Occurs.

SPECTATORS APPALLED

Last week the Underclassman Chapel had the opportunity of witnessing an event which is unprecedented in the annals of our college. The Chapel met at the accustomed place at the accustomed time, and were greeted with the accustomed smile of our esteemed professor. After seating themselves, the Chapel waited in tense silence for the chosen few to unload their minds. The auditorium was filled to its capacity.

Professor Lewis, acting as grand marshal for the occasion, arose and after making a gracious bow to the audience, announced the line of march. The program for the morning was most interesting. ''Spooks'' Moffat, as first speaker, won the hearty applause and co-operation of the audience in that far-famed success, which made Broadway famous, ''Casey at the Bat.''

Pritchard Speaks Well

After the thunderous applause subsided, ''Pirnie'' Pritchard rendered ''The Volunteer'' in a very creditable manner. The good behavior of the Chapel was broken for a time at this point when Pirnie, in introducing his selection mentioned the Chicago Tribune. It was found necessary to banish a certain Chicago suburbanite from the Chapel. In his speaking Pirnie showed symptoms of becoming some day a great orator. His aritculation was clear and he used the full gamut of his voice. Perhaps it would have been better if he had put a little more Pritchard in his speaking, but taken all in all it was a very satisfactory piece of oratory. (Of course a little humor is enjoyed by the best of men, especially if it is given in a brotherly, heart-to-heart way.)

As the last speaker took his seat a sigh of yearning went up from the audience. Was it all over so soon? Must they go? Our esteemed professor arose and after wiping the tears from his eyes dismissed the Chapel

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DARING REPORTER REVEALS SECRETS

Of Faculty Meeting—By Use of Dictaphone and Admirable Bravery Cub Reporter Lays Bare Important News Items.

SEEKS WAIVERS ON SCHWARTZ

Clinton, March 20, 1920—The secret proceedings of the last Faculty meeting are brought to the notice of the public by the revelations of our special correspondent. Unaided, this news-hound, by the clever use of a dictaphone, has recorded what goes on behind the closed doors upstairs in Truax Hall.

The following conversations are authentically recorded:

Prex: ''Gentlemen. Gentlemen, I greet you.''

Deep silence reigns.

Prex (sharply): ''Gentlemen, I greet you.''

Silence continues to reign. Then Little Greek mutters a rough, digammac aspirant.

Little Greek: ''Oh.''

Remaining austere members of the Faculty closed shop join in forcing through clenched teeth and strangled tonsils a variety of labial and sibillant oh's. Had they known how to better synchronize the activities of the hard and soft palates, the resulting sounds would have been more pleasing to the ear. Prex, with characteristic Wilsonian smile, beams approvingly at the hearty response to his cheery greeting. Seats himself.

Prex Presides

Prx: ''Now to business.'' (Quick and to the point, that's Prex all over.) ''What have we here?'' (Picks up a paper.)

Bill Shep: ''A list of names.''

Prex (quickly): ''What? (Peruses paper.) Oh, yes. Beg pardon, Shep. It is a list of names. To be more explicit, a list of hockey players.''

A. P. S. (gleefully): ''Ah. (Rubs hands together and strokes hirsute chin appendages after fashion approv and affffected by one Shylock of literary note.) Ah.''

The second ah rouses Bill Harder S. from his revery over the world's mistreatment of old Johnny Edwards. He shoots a suspicious glance at Stink from under shaggy eyebrows. Stink reorganizes the visible portions of his physiognomy into a Medusalike stoniness.

A. P. S.: ''Now, (This time his voice has a steely clang) Mr. XYZ is ineligible.''

Prex: ''How's that?''

A. P. S.: ''He's low. Scholastically, I mean.'' Looks about expectantly. The faculty, as a whole, however, never having taken Chem. 1-2, doesn't take the cue.)

Brownie: ''That means he can't play.''

Coach: ''Oh shucks. Golly Ned.''

Prex: ''He can't play? Why?''

A. P. S.: ''You see, our custom is to hold games and trips as a club to goad men into more serious scholastic endeavors. He's low.

Brownie: ''To allow him to play in such a case smacks of professionalism. Why down at Colgate —''

Prex: ''Gentlemen. Gentlemen. Let us get this straight. Don't you realize, my colleagues, don't you realize that your theories are—well, not wrong—but not entirely right?''

Bibs meets this seeming reversion to Strykerism by quietly, yet with dignity, waving a red silk handkerchief.

Prex: ''You will agree with me, won't you (apealingly), that a man spends more time in practicing than in making a trip?''

Bibs: ''Yes and no. On second thought, yes.''

Prex: ''Yet you allow him to practice the entire week and keep him off a trip at the last moment. Isn't that slightly illogical? An untenable position to maintain?''

The red handkerchief has done its work well, as can be noted in the somewhat more ameliorative language that Prex employs.

Bibs Excited

Bibs: ::I think under the circumstances—yes, under the circumstances—that Mr. XYZ, to the contrary notwithstanding, ought not to be permitted to play. But there is also another side. His belief in God—''

Shouts of ''Vote. Vote.''

A. P. S.: ''Ah.'' (Signifying that XYZ has been, beyond the peradventure of a possible doubt, excluded from participating in the coming conflict.)

Prex: ''Next. But pardon me. Is there any further new business, I meant.''

Murphy, who has been wandering about aimlessly, more or less, spies a little disc in the ear of the plaster model of A. Hamilton's monument. He pulls the disc forth, and forthwith, our dictaphone was deprived of its all-hearing eye.

TELEGRAPH NEWS

UNUSUAL EVENT OCCURS

Prominent Man Missing in Roll Call of Old Faithfuls.

(Special to Hamilton Life.)

The last car from Utica last night startled the world and all the assembled town of Clinton when it failed to drop Mr. Henry Oakland Barber on its arrival in the village. This is the first time that Mr. Barber has failed to be on the last car in almost four years and his many friends are worried as to the reason which should have kept him in Utica all night.

When last seen he was described as wearing a grey suit, grey, soft hat, light-brown shoes with grey suede uppers; and a heavy, fur overcoat. Barber is five feet ten inches tall and has a mustache. He is a prominent society and club man. All information should be directed to S. Rosenthal, his guardian.

DRUMMOND WRITING A BOOK

Dick Drummond, '01, tells us that he is writing a book, ''The Rise and Fall of Hamilton College Spirit.'' He hopes to have it out in time to be read at the College Smoker before the next Union game.